

### **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (currently amended): An article useful for attracting canines and for inducing the canines to eliminate in a vicinity where the article is placed, the article comprising a polymeric body, ~~the body~~ having at least one ~~surface or cavity~~ portion comprising a canine attractant material that further comprises an active ingredient ~~capable of inducing the canine to eliminate~~ selected from the group consisting of p-cresyl acetate and phenyl acetic acid.

2. (currently amended): The article of claim 1 wherein the article is a ~~lawn~~ yard stake.

3. (currently amended): The article yard stake of claim 2 wherein the ~~lawn stake further~~ polymeric body comprises a cap portion and a stake portion.

4. (original): The article of claim 1 wherein at least part of the polymeric body is coated with the attractant material.

5. (original): The article of claim 1 wherein at least part of the polymeric body is impregnated with the attractant material.

6. (original): The article of claim 1 wherein the polymeric body comprises a cavity into which the attractant material is received.

7. (currently amended): The article of claim 6 wherein ~~the body is provided with a cover~~ is provided over the cavity.

8. (original): The article of claim 7 wherein the cover is connected to the body by a hinge.

9. (currently amended): The article of claim 6 wherein the cavity is vented ~~through part of the body~~.

10. (original): The article of claim 1 wherein the attractant material comprises solids into which the active ingredient is absorbed.

11. (original): The article of claim 10 wherein the solids are particulate solids.

12. (original): The article of claim 1 wherein the attractant material comprises microspheres containing the active ingredient.

13. (original): The article of claim 1 wherein the attractant material comprises a binder, adhesive or coating.

14. (original): The article of claim 1 wherein the polymeric body is injection molded.

15. (currently amended): The article of claim ~~[[14]]~~ 1 wherein the polymeric body is unitarily molded.

16. (currently amended): The article of claim ~~[[1]]~~ 14 wherein the polymeric body comprises a plurality of parts that are each injection molded.

17. (canceled)

18. (original): The article of claim 1 wherein the polymeric body is moldable from a material selected from the group consisting of thermoplastics, fiberglass and nylon.

19. (original) The article of claim 1 wherein the body is attachable to a support surface.

20. (original): The article of claim 1 wherein the body comprises at least one aperture through which a fastening device is insertable.

21. (original): The article of claim 19 wherein the body comprises a substantially flat surface that is positionable in facing contact with the support surface.

22. (new): A yard stake insertable into a ground area, the stake being useful for attracting canines and for inducing the canines to eliminate on the ground area near where the stake is inserted, the stake consisting of a moldable polymeric body having an exposed surface and having dispersed throughout at least a portion of the body a plurality of microspheres, the microspheres further comprising an encapsulated attractant that is released over time and volatilizes off the exposed surface into surrounding air, the encapsulated attractant further comprising an active ingredient selected from the group consisting of p-cresyl acetate and phenyl acetic acid.